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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

JOSHA L. COATES, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/753,220

Filed: December 29, 2000

For: **DYNAMIC REPLICATION OF FILES IN A
NETWORK STORAGE SYSTEM**

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

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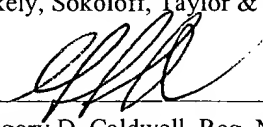
In accordance with 37 C.F. R. § 1.136(a), Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully Petition the Commissioner for a two (2) month extension of time, extending the period for response to October 20, 2004, from the Office Action dated May 20, 2004. The petition filing fee of \$420.00 and a Response to Office Action are attached.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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